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7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ]  
10 Plaintiff, ] 15-CR-6049-EFS-24  
11 vs. ]  
12 VERONICA ELVIRA CORTEZ, ] DEFENDANT'S  
13 ] WAIVER OF RIGHT TO  
14 Defendant. ] BE PRESENT AT PRETRIAL  
15 ] HEARING

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17 **DECLARATION**

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19 I, Veronica Elvira Cortez, declare:

20 1. I am a defendant in the above-entitled action and Lee Edmond is  
21 my court-appointed counsel.

23 2. I have discussed with Mr. Edmond my right to be present at the  
24 Pretrial Conference scheduled for February 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.

26 3. I understand that Mr. Edmond will represent my interests at the  
27 scheduled hearing. Having thoroughly discussed whether to attend the  
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1 hearing in-person or to waive my right to be present, I knowingly and  
2 voluntarily waive my right to be present at this hearing.  
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4 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of  
5 Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.  
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8 Veronica Elvira Cortez  
9 Defendant  
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1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE  
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5 I hereby certify that on February 13, 2017, I electronically filed  
6 the Defendant's Waiver of Right to Be Present at Pretrial Hearing with the  
7 Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF System which will send notification  
8 of such filing to Stephanie Van Marter, Assistant United States Attorney,  
9 and to the attorneys of record in the above-entitled case.

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11 DATED this 13th day of February, 2017.

12 s/ Lee Edmond

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